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The reply filed on December 7, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant was requested (see page 3, lines 10-21 and page 4, lines 1-13 of Office Action dated October 7, 2005) to elect a single disclosed species [i.e., elect a single and specific antimicrobial agent (e.g., claim 13) and elect a single and specific bone growth factor (e.g., claims 3-4)] for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. See 37 CFR 1.111. The response of December 7, 2005 does not include a species as requested. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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